



NOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

CALENDAR



Fri., Dec. 27 — OPC Luncheon
Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. 12:30 p.m.

CBS newsmen Edward R. Murrow; Eric Sevareid and Howard K. Smith from Washington; Alexander Kendrick from London; David Schoenbrun from Paris, Winston Burdett from Rome; Ernest Leiser from Bonn; Daniel Schorr from Moscow; and Peter Kalischer from Tokyo, will be guests of the OPC at the special luncheon.

Murrow will moderate the question-and-answer session with the newsmen who are flying into New York from around the world for "Years of Crisis: 1957," CBS' annual analysis of world conditions.

The luncheon, to be held in the Sert Room, will be preceded by a general reception at noon in the west foyer. Reservations, at the OPC, cost \$6.00 per member and \$7.00 per guest. There is no limit to the number of guests.

Tues., Dec. 31 — New Year's Eve Party. 9:30 p.m.

A "gourmet" supper and gay music are promised for OPCers who come to the Club to ring in 1958!

Reservations now, please. \$7.00 per person. Three guests per member. (See story, this page.)

Tues., Jan. 7 — Open House.
Opening of exhibit of photos by Jerry Cooke. Cocktails, 6:00 p.m., buffet.

(See story, this page.)

RING IN THE NEW — YEAR AT THE OPC!

Not only because it's the best "buy" in town — because it is!

But because we do have the best party — at any price!

For \$7.00 per person, there will be music — and a "gourmet" supper! (Both George and the House Operations Committee promise to surpass their past gastronomical pinnacles!)

Reservations must be made as soon as possible. Each member is limited to three guests. Parties wishing to be seated together must have lists in no later than Monday, Dec. 30.

The party will start at 9:30 p.m.

To all members:

MERRY CHRISTMAS

From: The Board of Governors...and
The Overseas Press Bulletin

(Editor's Note: For your Christmas gifts, see page 3.)

Two Newsmen Expelled: Syria and Yugoslavia



Joe Alex Morris, Jr., correspondent of the *N.Y. Herald Tribune* in the Middle East, was expelled from Syria by government security officers Dec. 14.

According to information from the *Herald Tribune*, his expulsion was ordered "without explanation."

He was given thirty minutes to be on his way out of the country after being summarily notified that he must leave. He was told he was not under arrest, but a security agent accompanied him to the Lebanese border.

He had completed a series of dispatches to the *Herald Tribune* in November, writing that anti-Western feeling was on the increase in Syria.

Morris joined the newspaper as Middle East correspondent on Nov. 1. His father, Joe Alex Morris, was *Herald Tribune* foreign editor in 1944.

(Photo courtesy of *N.Y. Herald Tribune*.)

The Yugoslav government announced the expulsion of *Newsweek* correspondent Allan Richie from the country for distributing copies of Milovan Djilas' *The New Class*, the UP reported from Belgrade on Dec. 14.

He was charged with distributing the book, critical of Red Government hierarchies, while in the country on a visit.

The UP report said that the government announcement implied Richie had left the country. No further information is available at this time.

NATO: 1,700 NEWSMEN COVER PARIS TALKS

Paris became the Western world's heartbeat this week as the NATO sessions there attracted more than 1,700 newsmen.

(The *N.Y. Herald Tribune's* Art Buchwald, in estimating the number, described them as "top-flight, highly-paid journalists from every corner of the globe." He also reported there were so many press conferences there was even one "held late at night for reporters who couldn't sleep.")

Press attendance had apparently topped the estimate of 1,500 as carried in the Dec. 7 round-up by *The Overseas Press Bulletin*. That account, incidentally, excluded NBC News plans for coverage by Paris bureau chief Leif Eid. Joseph C. Harsch, London bureau chief and senior European correspondent; David Brinkley, Bill Henry, Bradford Kress and Ray Scherer, from Washington; and Joseph Cexle and Gary Stindt, from Berlin, were sent in to augment the Paris staff during the meeting.

U.S.S.R. SPORTS PHOTO EXHIBIT OPENS JAN. 7

An exhibit of photographer Jerry Cooke's pictures of Russian sports and physical fitness will open at the OPC on Jan. 7. It will be on view for one month.

Many of the forty black-and-white and twenty-one color shots in the exhibit appeared in a twenty-four page special segment of the Dec. 2 issue of *Sports Illustrated*.

Cooke encountered only one difficulty shooting the pictures during his month in Russia: getting the Russians to allow him to photograph them at solo sports, fishing, hunting, etc., seem to be pursued somewhat evasively, Cooke says, because they are at odds with the collective character of Soviet life.

NOTICE

The OPC will close Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, at 6:00 p.m. The office and switchboard will close at 1:00 p.m.

The Club will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Dateline Vienna

Russ Braley, N.Y. *Daily News*, and wife, Magda, kicked off the Vienna holiday season with a house-warming at their new quarters in a Vienna suburb. The press corps convened again a few days later at a cocktail party given by Audrey and Frank Bourgholtzer, NBC News, on the eve of Frank's departure for Warsaw. He hopes to be back in Vienna for a brief Christmas with the family before flying Stateside for the NBC year-end show and some speaking engagements.

Visitors: Elie Abel, N.Y. *Times* Belgrade correspondent, passed through Vienna on his way to San Francisco to visit his ailing mother; Alan Michie, *Newsweek*, back to his Vienna base from Bonn and then off to Belgrade on assignment. Si Freidin, N.Y. *Post*, getting a quick breather after his trip to Warsaw, and then traveling to Paris for the NATO talks. The Freidins expect columnist Joe Alsop as their house-guest over the holidays and want Alsop to play Pere Noel to their French-speaking twin boys. Other holiday visitors will be Ernie Hill, *Chicago Daily News* London correspondent, and his wife, Terry. Russ Jones, UP, is back in Vienna after a long swing through the Near East as is Paul Bruck, CBS News cameraman. Both were last seen stoking up on *Wiener schnitzel* and trying to shake off a variety of Near Eastern ailments.

From recent experiences of Vienna-based correspondents, the following is the visa outlook for Central Europe, at the moment: *Poland* — with some difficulty; *Czechoslovakia* — with considerable difficulty; *Hungary* — rare for Americans, with great difficulty for other Western correspondents (Ron Preston, *London Times*, is one of the few to receive other than a brief transit visa); *Bulgaria* — with considerable difficulty; *Rumania* — with great difficulty; *Yugoslavia* — usually no particular problem; *Albania* — practically out of the question.

Carl Hartman, AP's man in Budapest, is due back from home leave in the States and ready to resume his position as the only American correspondent regularly allowed to stay in the Hungarian capital.

Daniel Karasik

FLOODS ON NBC INTERVIEW

Joseph R. and Lottie Flood will tell about their "Great Guys Gallery" in Austin, Texas, over NBC-WRCA on Dec. 23. The Floods, with whom the OPC has worked on their collection of pictures and information of former and present foreign correspondents, will speak at 7:45 p.m. on "Life and the World," moderated by Frank Blair.



John Alius, editor of *Newsweek*, who was appointed chairman of the OPC Freedom of the Press Committee last month.

Denson replaces OPC Past President Louis P. Lochner, who resigned under doctor's orders to "take it easier."

ALIUS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF RIO CHAPTER OF OPC

The Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) chapter of the OPC, in a reorganizational meeting, elected John Alius, UP manager for Brazil, president of the chapter.

Alius succeeds Fred L. Strozier, AP South American manager. Strozier was first president of the chapter and a prime mover in its organization.

Tad Szulc, N.Y. *Times*, was named first vice president. Thomas J. Stone, AP bureau chief for Brazil, was elected second vice president. New secretary-treasurer is Jaime Dantas, *Time*. Herbert Moses, president of the Brazilian Press Ass'n. and a life-time member of the OPC, was named public relations executive.

The luncheon was the final meeting for Piero Saporiti, *Time* correspondent, who is being transferred to Buenos Aires. He left on Dec. 15 for a European vacation and will go to New York before taking up the new post.

IPI HOLDS CEYLON MEET

Among the 120 editors from the U.S., Asia and Europe who attended the recent Second Asian conference of the Int'l. Press Institute in Kandy, Ceylon, were W. Briggs, N.Y. *Herald Tribune* Hong Kong correspondent; R.H. Estabrook, *Washington Post*; R.B. Hewett, *Minneapolis Star and Tribune*, Earnest Hobericht, UP general manager for Asia; Charles Lane, AP New Delhi bureau chief; A.M. Rosenthal, N.Y. *Times* New Delhi correspondent; and Boleslaw Wierzbianski, Foreign News Service, New York.

DON'T FORGET

Make your reservations now to attend OPC's luncheon for CBS foreign correspondents at the Waldorf-Astorial Hotel on Dec. 27.

NBC Newsmen to New York for "Projection '58"

Seven NBC News foreign correspondents are flying into New York to join five Stateside newsmen for the network's "Projection '58" an hour-long, year-end news review. The show, an NBC TV-Radio feature, is scheduled for Dec. 29.

According to William R. McAndrew, director of NBC News, "the basic purpose of the program will be to relate the year's significant events — internationally or domestically — to the American individual."

Chet Huntley, NBC commentator and editor of "Outlook," will act as anchor man for the round-up. Correspondents coming to New York for the telecast from overseas are: Frank Bourgholtzer (Vienna), Leif Eid (Paris), Joseph Harsch (London), Welles Hagen (Cairo), Irving R. Levine (Moscow), Ed Newman (Rome), and Jim Robinson (Tokyo). Domestic correspondents taking part will be Martin Agronsky, David Brinkley, John Chancellor, Robert McCormick and Huntley.

Three Pulitzer Prize winning editorial cartoonists will do original drawings for the show. The three artists are James T. Berryman (*Washington D.C. Star*), D.R. Fitzpatrick (*St. Louis Post-Dispatch*) and Reginald Manning (*Phoenix, Arizona, Republic*).

To supplement "Projection '58," NBC has scheduled five fifteen-minute daily telecasts to expand and spotlight their foreign correspondents' reports. The programs, on which the newsmen will interview each other, are scheduled for 2:15 p.m. from Dec. 30 through Jan. 3.

100 NEWSMEN AT COCOA BEACH

One hundred newsmen, including foreign correspondents from the United Kingdom and Latin America, covered the unsuccessful test of the satellite-bearing Vanguard rocket at Cocoa Beach, Fla. Many remained anticipating the Atlas' trial.

John Luter wrote the script for "Middle East Smoke Screen" for CBS-TV's "The Twentieth Century" series.

Filmed reports by Frank Kearns, CBS Middle East correspondent, from Syria, and Richard Kallsen, CBS News correspondent, from Turkey, were summarized by Howard K. Smith in New York. Walter Cronkite, "Twentieth Century" narrator, opened and closed the show.

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rk from a gifted (?) member:

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S AT OPC OF THE FUTURE

by Hal Bloch (Boy Univac)

This being the year of International Geophysical Research, I was appointed by Prexy Cecil Brown to maintain a constant vigil, starting with last Saturday evening. The purpose of this was to devise a complete new set of innovations which might lead finally to the recognition of this institution by the Princeton Club, as a neighbor — or at least a NON-BELLIGERENT.

Realizing the tremendous import of my new assignment, I set to work with a Will, and between myself and Oursler, we came up with the following suggestions:

FOR CECIL BROWN AND ALL FUTURE OPC PRESIDENTS:

A UNIQUE NEW PENTHOUSE.

The reason this penthouse is so "unique" is that it will be built *under the basement*.

(According to A. Wilfred May, the reason the penthouse is under the basement is to keep DOWN the OVERHEAD.)

OFFICIAL OPC CALLING CARDS:

A SPECIAL ASSORTMENT CONSISTING OF FOUR ACES AND A JOKER.

(Any member not calling with those cards should be barred from the fourth floor.)

"NIGHT RECEPTIONIST OF THE MONTH" CONTEST:

ANY NIGHT RECEPTIONIST THAT LASTS A MONTH GETS A PRIZE.

CONDUCT AT THE BAR:

ANY GUEST CAUGHT PAYING THE BAR TAB OF A MEMBER MUST BE ASKED IMMEDIATELY TO TURN IN HIS NAME AND ADDRESS TO THE CLUE SECRETARY.

(So that it may be made available to any other members who might wish to invite the "sucker" to the Club.)

THERE SHOULD BE A SPECIAL BUZZER INSTALLED ON THE MAIN FLOOR TO PREVENT ANY DRINKERS FROM GETTING OFF THEIR STOOLS WHILE "THE ROOM IS IN MOTION."

BARTENDERS SHOULD "CUT OFF" ANY MEMBER WHO:

1. Has drunk so many Martinis that he insists that the olive is sticking out its pimento at him.

2. Insists on having the bartender change the program on TV at the bar. (The reasonableness of this is apparent when you take into consideration that there is NO TELEVISION SET in the bar.)

A BRANCH ORGANIZATION OF THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB FOR CORRESPONDENTS ASSIGNED TO SUBMARINES:

THIS WOULD BE KNOWN AS "THE UNDERSEAS PRESS CLUB."

A SPECIAL BLUE CROSS POLICY FOR THE TELETYPE MACHINES:

IN CASE ANY OF THEM DEVELOP "WEAK TICKERS." (OUCH!)

"INNOVATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS"

FOR BOB CONSIDINE:

A BRAND-NEW INVENTION CALLED "INSTANT TAKE-OFF."

FOR A. WILFRED MAY:

A NEW FEATURE COLUMN IN THE OVERSEAS PRESS BULLETIN ENTITLED "CHIT CHATS."

FOR WILL OURSLER:

A NEW COAST-TO-COAST PANEL SHOW FEATURING WELL-KNOWN CLERICS.

(Sort of a "PARSON-TO-PARSON" program.)

FOR JUDGE ALLMAN (THE WELL-KNOWN GOURMET):

A PICTURE OF MARLENE DIETRICH ON THE COVER OF HIS MENU.

(So he can distinguish the difference between "turkey legs" and the REAL THING.)

FOR BILL BERNS (CHAIRMAN OF THE LUNCHEON COMMITTEE):

SMALLER PLATES TO MAKE THE PORTIONS LOOK BIGGER.

FOR WILL YOLEN (HARD-WORKING COMMUTING SECRETARY):

A NEW HIGH-FLY SET. Consisting of a four-seater kite and two-way communication (a crystal set and a homing pigeon.)

FOR FRANK CONNIFF:

A NEW BIOGRAPHY OF KHRUSHCHEV ENTITLED "ME, THE PEOPLE."

FOR WILLIAM LAURENCE:

A POST AS ADVISER TO THE TV COMMITTEE.

(Anyone who knows so much about RADIO-ACTIVITY should certainly be able to get us a little TELEVISION activity at the Club.)

FOR LAWRENCE BLOCHMAN AND SETH MOSELEY (WELL-KNOWN BARBLIOPHILES):

A NEW BOOK ENTITLED

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REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

You will be as gratified to hear, as I am delighted to present, a most heartening report on a meeting between the Officers and Governors of the Overseas Press Club, and the Officers and Trustees of the Correspondents Fund.

As noted in the President's semi-annual report on Oct. 30, "relations between the Club and the Fund are not as satisfactory as they should be. It is not necessary to assign responsibility for that state of affairs, or to detail the background. It is enough to say that previous administrations have attempted remedies and that this administration is doing the same."

In that report I pointed out that I had requested a joint meeting of the responsible officers of the Club and the Fund "to talk over our mutual problems and to establish a firmer basis for cooperation in the years ahead."

Determination and Desire

That two and a half hour meeting was held at noon on Dec. 11, 1957, at the Memorial Press Center. The atmosphere was cordial and cooperative. There was a frank and fruitful exchange of views, offered in a spirit of highly laudatory good-will. Perhaps we were helped by the approaching Christmas season. Definitely we were aided by a hard determination and a warm desire to erase irritations and misunderstandings.

Before reporting results of the meeting — the first joint gathering in the history of the Club and the Fund — several points should be noted about the Fund.

The Fund is the owner of the Memorial Press Center, representing an investment of \$275,000.

The Fund is the landlord; the Club rents the building at an annual rental of \$8,000, "net," the Club paying the real estate taxes.

The Correspondents Fund was established in 1942, long before we ever dreamed of having a Clubhouse, to raise and have moneys for the aid of past or present foreign correspondents or their families in need of emergency relief.

Contributions to the Fund are, as were contributions to the Fund for the purchase and furnishing of the Memorial Press Center, tax deductible. This vastly important point should be kept in mind in considering relations between the Fund and the Club.

The Correspondents Fund, in proper and required secrecy, has been contributing emergency financial help to various individuals over the years.

It is understood now, as it was by the Board of Governors on Feb. 6, 1943, that the Fund, the charitable organization which the Club had sponsored, must be

corporately entirely separate and could not be regarded as a committee subject to direction by the Overseas Press Club. Otherwise, there could not legally be allowed the benefits which the Fund derived from its incorporation.

At the December 11th meeting, two salient points emerged and were stated in various forms by those participating in the discussion:

The Fund feels that contributions — regular, substantial or both — should be made to it by the Overseas Press Club.

The Club is burdened by having inadequate information or has reservations about the operation of the Fund.

Fund Treasurer *Joseph Wurzel* said the Fund has approximately \$92,000 in its treasury. It has made contributions for emergency help of around \$8,000 to fifteen persons, in the year ending April, 1957. It expects heavier requests in the current year.

Therefore, the Fund feels that larger financial payments should flow to the Fund from the Club.

The Fund also feels that the Club, in the various ways open to it, has not given sufficient recognition to the Fund, or publicized its activities and conveyed its purposes sufficiently to the Club membership.

Joseph Wurzel, as Fund Treasurer, pointed out that the rental of \$8,000 was inadequate income to cover current depreciation charges on the Memorial Press Center.

A. Wilfred May, speaking as both Treasurer of the OPC and as a Trustee of the Fund, said that the depreciation allowance is adequate as calculated over the full ninety-nine year term of the lease. He added that the lease was entered into in good faith as a binding contract, and was equitable to both landlord and tenant.

Activities Discussed

All parties agreed that the rental matter should be held in abeyance.

Sentiments expressed by Governors of the Club, at the December 11th meeting, ranged over this field:

The activities of the Fund have not been relayed to the Board of Governors either frequently enough or in sufficient detail.

The Club did not have a legal obligation to make contributions to the Fund.

The Club *did* have a moral obligation to contribute to the Fund. The view also was expressed that a moral obligation did not exist.

Complaint was registered that the Fund has a "self-perpetuating" board of Trustees.

The Fund has been remiss in not

recognizing that each new Board of Governors should be informed of the workings of the Fund.

The financial condition of the Club is not conducive to regular or stated contributions to the Fund, and that the Fund's treasury is of sufficient size as not to warrant larger contributions from the Club.

From those points, it is evident that there is some conflict on views regarding principle and practicality.

But it should be interpolated here that the conflicts were neither as sharp nor as wide as anticipated and, it would appear, are susceptible to adjustment.

My own views, expressed at the meeting, took this form:

Obligation to Contribute

That the Overseas Press Club does have a moral obligation to make contributions to the Correspondents Fund.

The growth of the Club has been remarkable and it has not ended. The brightest future the Club can have is to walk steadily and uprightly along with the Fund. The Club cannot grow to its proper dimensions unless we operate in close, constant and harmonious collaboration with the Fund.

There is every incentive for such cooperation and high expectation that it can be secured, since the Trustees of the Fund are all distinguished members and/or officers, past or present, of the Overseas Press Club.

Their concern for the welfare of the Club, we have every right to assume, is not one bit inferior to that of any current officer, governor or member.

The question of the organization of the Fund Board of Trustees is being answered. Fund President *Lloyd Stratton* informed us that a committee is to bring in recommendations on the composition of the Trustees of the Fund and that it will overcome our reservations on that issue.

At the suggestion of *John Luter* I have requested that the names of officers and trustees of the Fund be placed on the board in the lobby of the Memorial Press center. The officers and trustees of the Fund are:

President: *Lloyd Stratton*; Vice-Presidents: *Richard de Rochemont*, *Patricia Hartwell*, *Edward R. Murrow*; Treasurer: *Joseph Wurzel*; Assistant Treasurer: *Bruno Shaw*; Secretary, *Mary Hornaday*; Assistant Secretary: *Clyde E. Brawn*; Directors & Trustees: *John Barkham*, *Hal Boyle*, *W.W. Chaplin*, *Robert B. Considine*, *John Daly*, *Ralph J. Frantz*, *William P. Gray*, *Sanford Griffith*, *Dickson Hartwell*, *Thomas M.*

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S (Continued from page 3)

- FOR JOHN WILHELM: "THE POWER OF POSITIVE DRINKING."
- A SPECIAL MEXICAN FIESTA AT THE CLUB IN WHICH MEMBERS GUARANTEE TO PRONOUNCE THE JAYS AS AITCHES.
(This should take place in either Hune or Fuly.)
- FOR JOHN LUTER: A CBS SOAP OPERA ABOUT HIS SWASHBUCKLING DAYS IN OCCUPIED JAPAN.
(This could be called "JOHN'S OTHER LIFE.")
- FOR HENRY CASSIDY (HEAD OF THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE): A GUEST SHOT ON THE MIKE WALLACE PROGRAM WHERE HE CAN MAKE AS MANY ADMISSIONS AS HE PLEASES.
- FOR ANSEL TALBERT (ARCTIC TOURIST): AN "ICICLE BUILT FOR TWO."
- FOR MIKE CRISSAN (STOCK MARKET TY-COCN): A GREAT SUCCESS ON WALL STREET.
(Wait till he finds out that J.P. Morgan is a girl singer!)
- FOR LARRY NEWMAN: THE ADMITTANCE OF A SELECT GROUP OF DISTINGUISHED SURGEONS ON HIS COMMITTEE.
(This should improve House operations.)
- FOR INEZ ROBB: THE ACCEPTANCE OF HER SUGGESTION FOR "RED CARPET TREATMENT" FOR VISITING CORRESPONDENTS.
(Also, an assurance from Gimbels that the carpets will match.)
- FOR FRANK "LEGAL EAGLE" WACHSMITH: A NEW "HABEAS CORPUS" TYPE BALL POINT PEN.
(This pen writes under everything but DURESS.)
- FOR WAYNE RICHARDSON: THE PUBLICATION OF A NEW BOOK ENTITLED "I WAS AN EX-PRESIDENT FOR THE OPC" OR "PEACE OF MIND."

FOR COL. KIRBY AND ALL OTHER DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC RELATIONS:

A SECLUDED LOUNGE ON THE THIRD FLOOR WHERE ON OCCASION THEY CAN CONDUCT THEIR "PRIVATE RELATIONS."

FOR ALL THE OTHER MEMBERS AND OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENTS IN GENERAL:

THE REALIZATION OF THEIR NEW RESPONSIBILITY IN THIS "SPUTNIK-SHRUNK" WORLD.

It is amazing that a nation which upheld its dignity and confidence for over a hundred and fifty years should suddenly become panic-stricken because of a sudden Russian LEAP with a thing that gives out with a BEEP.

This can be compared to a typical dog track in which the greyhounds are soothed, steady and tranquil until suddenly the mechanical rabbit is released. Then they go wild, worrying about a moving thing they don't know about instead of concentrating on the thing that MAKES IT MOVE.

And so I think we can give a little more self-confidence to our readers and listeners if we tell them not to be so disturbed by the mechanical rabbit called Sputnik but look far beyond it and give our trust and belief to the INFINITE POWER that makes ALL things move.

So far HE has never let us down.

And now, in closing, a final thought for the "Iron Curtain:" "MAY IT RUST IN PEACE."

AND TO ALL

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A
HAPPY EXPENSE ACCOUNT!

(Hal Bloch is author of a weekly feature in the Saturday Evening Post.)

Johnson, Lucian S. Kirtland, Louis P. Lochner, A. Wilfred May, John T. McGovern, Walter Rundle, J. Clifford Stark, Lowell Thomas, Otto D. Tolischus, Egbert White.

I assured the meeting that the Overseas Press Bulletin would print news of the Fund when it is furnished to us. I have asked Bulletin Committee Chairman John Wilhelm, at the suggestion of Past President Burnet Hershey, to prepare a special story on the work of the Fund in the past year.

The essential feature of this joint Fund-Club meeting was the striking and heartening demonstration of good will on all sides. However, a number of practical issues remain to be resolved.

For that purpose, I suggested a meeting of Lloyd Stratton, myself, and the respective attorneys, Terence McGovern for the Fund, Frank Wachsmith for the Club, to devise a series of proposals to be made for presentation to the Club Board of Governors and the Fund Board of Trustees. The suggestion was accep-

ted; the meeting will be held within a week.

Let me express my deep appreciation to Fund President Lloyd Stratton and the Fund officers and trustees and to the officers and governors of OPC for their gracious and effective help in making this joint meeting a giant step toward a new and most productive collaboration between the Fund and the Club.

Respectfully submitted,
Cecil Brown,
President

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No. 193 Chicago. Editor for company-employee publications. Writing, editing, layout, exp. in purchase of printing materials and art work. Salary \$10,000.

Job applications accepted from OPC members only. If you are interested in a job or know of one to be filled, please call or address the Placement Committee, Janice Robbins, Exec. Sec., at the Club, Mondays. Egbert White, Chairman

PEOPLE & PLACES

OPC Past President and Mrs. Wayne Richardson will spend Christmas in Phoenix, Ariz. They'll return around mid-January.

Tex and Jinx Falkenburg McCrary were awarded The Medal of the City of New York by Mayor Wagner for being "outstanding interpreters of New York and contributors to its greatness."

OPC Past President Louis P. Lochner presented his collection of letters of European and U.S. leaders, originals of news stories from Berlin, and notes he made at Nazi political meetings to the Wisconsin State Historical Society for their Mass Communications collection. Lochner is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin School of Journalism.

Franc Shor was named senior assistant editor of *National Geographic*, effective with the January 1958 issue.

Theodore H. White's first novel, *The Mountain Road*, has been chosen by the Book-of-the-Month Club for 1958 distribution.

J. Norman Lodge, V.A. Information Service Office Director in Washington, D.C., received a meritorious service award.

George Goodsitt back from nine months in Europe and the Balkans.

John B. Goodman, assistant PR director at American Oil Company, has been named advertising manager for the company.

Sigrid Schultz was on the N.Y. Newspaper Women's Club jury to choose award winners honored at the Club's recent "Front Page Dinner Dance."

Norbert Lyons elected a vice president of the Philippines Club of N.Y.

Carl Peretz flew to Cuba Dec. 9 to handle magazine and advertising photographic assignments.

William L. Laurence was principal speaker, and A. Wilfred May, moderator, at the Harmonie Club's recent luncheon forum on "The Sputnik Challenge."

Ed Hymoff, NBC News, authored an article on missile rivalries and controversies in the Pentagon for the current issue of *The Reporter*.

Fred Kerner ghosted "Ten Days to A Successful Memory" for \$64,000 Question winner Joyce Brothers.

Lin Root back from a four-months' tour of Europe gathering article material for *Reader's Digest* and other magazines.

Thomas P. Whitney's article, "Can We Deal with Russia," leads-off a series of eight articles in the Foreign Policy Association's latest discussion booklet, *Great Decisions - 1958 - What Should The U.S. Do In A Changing World*.

OPC Past President Eugene Lyons was interviewed on several radio and TV programs including the John Wingate Show, concerning his trip to Europe as a member of the Zellerbach Commission on

Iron Curtain Refugees.

Harold Isaacs' new book, *Scratches On Our Minds*, dealing with American ideas concerning the Chinese and Indians, due for release in February by John Day.

Stanley Ross, editor of *El Diario*, will attend inauguration of President-elect Ramon Villeda Morales in Honduras as Morales' guest.

Leo D. Hochstetter was appointed continental manager of the Motion Picture Export Ass'n. of America, in charge of the Paris office. He recently returned from two years as Far East manager of the Ass'n. He will leave for Paris in January.

Norman Reader has resigned his post as public information director of the French Government Tourist Office in North America, after eleven years, to assume the presidency of the new international firm of Pozzy-Reader Public Relations, Inc., opening Jan. 1, 1958.

On the press junket for the opening of the Garden Wing of the Caribe-Hilton Hotel in Puerto Rico on Dec. 6 were J.P. McEvoy, *Reader's Digest*; Amy Vanderbilt, UFS; Lillian and Bob Considine; and Alice Hughes, King Features.

Reavis O'Neal, Jr., who left New York last year to live at his family's home in Alabama, was named PIO for the Army's Guided Missile School at Huntsville, Ala. He invites visits to the School by OPCers doing stories on rocket and missile training.

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Paris Newsmen Elect 1958 Ass'n Officers

Geoffrey Myers, *London Daily Telegraph*, was unanimously elected 1958 president of the Anglo-American Press Ass'n. of Paris at the annual meeting. He succeeds *Harold Callender*, *N.Y. Times*.

Frank Kelley, *N.Y. Herald Tribune*, was elected American vice president, and Peter Stephens, *London Daily Mirror*, British vice president.

Eric Hawkins, *N.Y. Herald Tribune*; Gerard Langelaan, *Argus* South African newspapers; and Paul Archinard, NBC, were reelected secretary, treasurer and liaison officer with public authorities, respectively, by acclamation.

The only hot contests were for the posts of vice presidents and for the executive committee. *Arthur Higbee*, UP; *Paul Ghali*, *Chicago Daily News*; *Lionel Durand*, *Newsweek*; and your correspondent; AFP; were the four Americans elected to the committee.

The Association ended the year with a slightly smaller bank balance than last year - mainly due to the large number of VIPs who were guests of the Association at the Fiftieth Anniversary Dinner. *Bernard S. Redmont*

NEW OPC BULLETIN BOARD CARRIES INFO ON NEWSMEN

A new bulletin board in the OPC lobby has been set up for information regarding the travels, assignments and transfers of news correspondents, with particular emphasis on those returning to the States on leave or for reassignment.

It is urgently requested that information regarding returnees, transfers and reassignments be sent to OPC Club Manager James Foley so that the information may be posted.

The OPC Liaison Committee states that it will be particularly grateful for the cooperation of all editors and bureau managers in charge of transfers and assignments of newsmen.

PRESS VIOLATIONS CRITICIZED

The Inter-American Press Ass'n. has again denounced continued violations of freedom of the press in Cuba and Venezuela.

The Executive Committee of the IAPA also criticized press situations in Peru and Nicaragua and restated its opposition to a right of reply law adopted in El Salvador, although it declared that freedom of the press exists in El Salvador.

Robert D. Levitt married Barbara Kazanjian on Nov. 22. He has resigned as president of the California National Productions, Inc., an NBC subsidiary.

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NATIONAL PRESS CLUB ELECTS 1958 OFFICERS

John V. Horner, *Washington Star*, was
elected president of the National Press
Club in Washington D.C. on Dec. 13.

Other officers elected were: John R.
Cauley (*Kansas City Star*), Treasurer;
Bryson B. Rash (NBC News), Secretary;
and Joseph Dear (Dear Publications),
Financial Secretary. Elected to the
Board of Governors were Clark Mollen-

NEWSMEN'S SKI MEET IN FEB.

The fourth annual International Ski
Competition for Journalists will be held
at Bayrischzell, Bavarian Alps, West
Germany from Feb. 11 to Feb. 15, 1958.

Foreign correspondents and journa-
lists from a dozen nations are expected
at the encounter, and your Paris corres-
pondent has been asked to help assemble
an American team.

A minimum of ten Americans will be
free guests of the German *Journalisten-
Verband*. Team members need not be ski
experts - the meeting is more friendly
and social than an athletic competition.

Several places are still vacant on the
U.S. team and skiers may write to *Bern
Redmont*, 131 Bd. Brune, Paris 14, for
details.

American correspondents did not take
top prizes at previous contests in Meri-
bel, France; Ste. Croix-les-Rasses,
Switzerland; and Kranska Gora, Yugo-
slavia, but all received a friendly wel-
come.

French Journalists Ski Club is also
inviting several Americans to a "warm-
up" international session at Chatel in
the French Alps from Jan. 17 to Jan.
19, 1958.

hoff (*Des Moines Register & Tribune*);
George Cullen (Bureau of Nat'l. Affairs),
Ed Edstrom (Hearst Newspapers) and
Ernest L. Barcella (UP).

After Eleven Years: Leacacos Comes Home

Rome

Eleven years of intensive reporting
as roving European and Middle East
correspondent for the *Cleveland Plain
Dealer* ends this month for *John Peter
Leacacos*, who packs his bags and heads
for home.



Since Sep-
tember, 1956,
when the war
over, Jack sug-
gested to the
late Paul Bel-
lamy, editor of
the *Plain
Dealer*, that the
post-war period
would be inter-

est and im-
portant to the United States, he has been
hitting its top stories. His prediction
proved right.

Jack's headquarters have been in
Rome, but news took him to three dozen
countries. He covered riots in Iran, the
Berlin blockade, Italian elections, action
in Indo-China, Formosa and Korea.

In 1948 he was with American liaison
officers in the first major operation of
the Greek civil war. There followed -
to cite a few - the Palestine war, oil
riots in Iran, the turn of the tide against
Chinese terrorists in Malaya and the
1954 Berlin conference.

The year 1956 saw him putting a lot
of time again in the Middle East - all
the way from Palestine to Algeria. He
was the first American correspondent in
Gaza after Israel attacked. He was the
first outside American to get to Cairo
when the British attacked the Suez and
later - hard luck - learned that the
Plain Dealer was strike-bound and his
dispatches there were unpublished.
Leacacos' dispatches, syndicated by
NANA from the *Plain Dealer*, have ap-
peared in about 100 newspapers.

After a vacation, he will join the
Plain Dealer's Washington bureau.

DATeline TAIPEI

Ass't. editor-in-chief of the *Central
Daily News*, Mr. Peng Ho-Ching, will
visit U.S. to observe press coverage and
news-gathering techniques for a year.

Recent visitors to Taiwan included
Charles Lucey, political writer for
Scripps-Howard papers; *James Robinson*,
NBC commentator; Dr. William Goddard,
former radio commentator of Australia
(now of England); and Henri Mengin of
Agence France Presse from Paris.

Robert Estabrook, editor of the
Washington Post, visited Taipei en route
to Southeast Asia. *Geraldine Fitch*



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